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## SUBMISSION OF DECLARATION UNDER 37 CFR §1.178

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

March 28, 2000

Sir:

Applicants hereby submit a Declaration under 37 CFR §1.178 stated that the original Letters Patent apparently has been lost. Entry of the attached Declaration is requested in order to comply with the requirements of 37 CFR §1.178.

Should any additional fees become due in connection with the filing of this Declaration, please charge Deposit Account No. 01-2135 (Case No. 500.26967RC1).

Respectfully submitted,

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE Applicants: K. KATSURA et al (Assignee: HITACHI, LTD.) Serial No. 07/985,141 Filed: December 3, 1992 For: GRAPHIC PROCESSING APPARATUS Examiner: DECLARATION UNDER 37 CFR 1. 178 Honorable Commissioner of Patents & Trademarks Washington, D. C. 20231 Sir: I, Hajime OKADA, hereby declare that: I am employed by HITACHI, LTD. and I am the person-in-charge of the International Department of the intellectual property office at the HITACHI RESEARCH CENTER of HITACHI, LTD., where my responsibilities include taking custody of files of the issued U.S. patents which relate to HITACHI, LTD. Products Division. In or about December 1992, I received a 2. request from the inventors of the above-mentioned Reissue application for the submission of the original Letters Patent No. 4,975,857, which was required to be submitted in the above-referenced reissue application. All of Letters Patent relating to HITACHI, LTD., are - 1 -

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kept centrally at the HITACHI RESEARCH CENTER of HITACHI, LTD., by the Hitachi Research Group.

I searched among the records for the Letters Patent but I could not find them. I do not believe there is any possibility that the Letters Patent are being kept elsewhere, either. Thus, I reported accordingly to the inventors, that the Letters Patent could not be located.

To the best of my knowledge and belief, the 3. original Letters Patent No. 4,975,857 appear to have thus been lost.

I declare further that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on the basis of information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

Signed this

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Sub-group manager

## CONSENT OF ASSIGNEE

The undersigned assignee of the entire interest in the above-mentioned Letters Patent No. 4,975,857 as evidenced by the Assignment recorded at Reel 5061 and Frame 277 hereby assent to Reissue Application Serial No. 07/985,141, filed December 3, 1992.

HITACHI, LTD.

March 22,2000

Yasuo Sakuta Executive Managing Director Intellectual Property Group Hitachi, Ltd.